member by virtue of an application made by him under this section. A retired member who does not make the additional election provided under this section within the time limits will not be allowed to reduce an annuity or withdraw from participation in the Plan as provided by §48.406.

- (b) Members who have elected and are not yet retired will automatically participate under the provisions of §48.201.
- (c) Elections in effect on August 13, 1968, will remain under the cost tables applicable on the date of the member's retirement.
- (d) Any member who has filed an election, modification, or revocation prior to August 13, 1968, may before September 1, 1969, submit a written application to the Secretary concerned requesting that such election, modification, or revocation remain under the time-of-election provisions of the law applicable on the date it was filed.

PART 51—THE DEPARTMENT OF DE-FENSE MILITARY EQUAL OPPOR-TUNITY PROGRAM

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§51.1 Purpose.

This part:

- (a) Regulates the Department of Defense Military Equal Opportunity (EO) Program and assigns responsibilities for ensuring DoD-wide compliance with the broad program objectives outlined in DoD Human Goals Charter, March 21, 1988.
- (b) Provides for education and training in EO and human relations.
- (c) Prescribes the functions of the Defense Equal Opportunity Council

(DEOC), the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI), and the Board of Visitors (BOV) to DEOMI.

§51.2 Applicability and scope.

This part:

- (a) Applies to all military members of the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), the Military Departments (including their National Guard and Reserve components), the Joint Staff, the Unified and Specified Commands, the Defense Agencies, and the DoD Field Activities (hereafter referred to collectively as "DoD Components"). The term "Military Services," as used herein, refers to the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.
- (b) Applies to DoD contracted organizations that provide services to military personnel and their families.
- (c) Does not apply to civilian personnel, except as noted in paragraph (b) of this section.

§51.3 Definitions.

Affirmative Action. Methods used to achieve the objectives of the EO program. Processes, activities, and systems designed to identify, eliminate, prevent, and work to overcome the effects of discriminatory treatment as it affects the upward mobility and quality of life for DoD personnel.

Discrimination. Illegal treatment of a person or group based on handicap, race, color, national origin, age, religion, or gender.

DoD Military Equal Opportunity (EO) Program. The DoD-wide military program of equal opportunity that is accomplished through efforts by DoD Components. It provides an environment in which every member of the total force is ensured an opportunity to rise to as high a level of responsibility as possible in the military profession, dependent only on merit, fitness, and capability.

Equal Opportunity (EO). The right of all persons to participate in and benefit from programs and activities for which they are qualified. These programs and activities shall be free from social, personal, or institutional barriers that prevent people from rising to as high a